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In re Application of:)
Osamu KASONO) Confirmation No.: 6598
U.S. Application No.: 10/594,893) Group Art Unit: 1791
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For: PATTERN TRANSFER DEVICE AND PATTERN TRANSFER METHOD)

Commissioner for Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Customer Window, Mail Stop Amendment
Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

In an Office Action dated April 16, 2009, the period for response to which runs through May 18, 2009 (May 16, 2009 being a Saturday), the Examiner required election under 35 U.S.C. § 121 and 372 between the claims of Group I (claims 1, 4-16) allegedly drawn to "an apparatus" and Group II (claims 17-22) allegedly drawn to "a method."

Applicant hereby elects Group I (claims 1, 4-16) for examination.

Applicant respectfully requests formal examination of this application.

Applicant respectfully submits that no fee is due in connection with the filing of this response. However, if there are any fees due in connection with the filing of this response, **except** for issue fees payable under 37 C.F.R. § 1.18, the Commissioner is hereby authorized by this paper to charge any such fees during the entire pendency of this application, including fees due under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and including any required

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extension of time fees, *or* credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0573. This paragraph is intended to be a **CONSTRUCTIVE PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME** in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3).

Respectfully submitted,

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